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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete Appendix A and Appendix B from the original specification.

Please amend the specification as indicated in the enclosed substitute specification, which is submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.125(b).

A marked-up version of the substitute specification shows all of the changes to the specification of record.

A clean version of the substitute specification has paragraphs individually numbered in Arabic numerals.

The substitute specification includes no new matter.

A summary of the amendments to the original specification appears under the appropriate heading within Applicants' Remarks below.